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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION AND RESPONSE TO
FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MAIL STOP RCE
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed June 2, 2008 and the Final Office Action mailed February 21, 2008, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments set forth below and request favorable action thereon.

Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a), and hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge \$120 to Deposit Account No. 50-0359 of ArthroCare Corporation.

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.